

Capturing the ephemeral

Archiving our digital present



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The presentation will look at the ways information around contemporary events, issues and processes, in Sri Lanka and elsewhere, are being generated digitally and largely lost for posterity, raising the challenge of archiving this plethora of content. The presentation will also look at how subjective curation, collective participation, the democratization of technical platforms and their use have radically altered how we perceive our past, re-examine our present and capture multiple truths.

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